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By COMMENTATOR

THE other day I read the official report of a trial in Cairo last month in which a number of Kaimakams, Yusbashis, Bikbashis, Mulasims and other military and semi-military gentlemen were given sentences varying between one year and life. It's a longish story and has evoked little interest outside Egypt. But in more than one respect the recorded proceedings offer to the outside observer the key to what is happening in Cairo now. There was (and probably still is) opposition to the ruling junta in the army which has close ties with civilian rabble-rousers. "Nagib and Jamal Abdel Naser are attempting (we are told) to introduce a secular constitution. Their reforms are opposed to the Koran both in letter and spirit." These charges are constantly cropping up and more or less represent the line of the "Moslem Brotherhood" towards the ruling junta. Nagib and Jamal Naser are strong enough to jail their foes but they are not strong enough to be able to afford to disregard the danger signals. Whatever their original zest for internal reform, little of it has survived and their main aim now is to show that the intensity of their patriotism is second to none. And patriotism in Cairo means an aggressive foreign policy.

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TOMORROW the official negotiations with Britain are due to begin. Up to very recently the junta was violently opposed to any talks prior to evacuation. "Sa'ad Zaglul tried his luck twice with the British," "Rose el Yusef" wrote, "Adli Yeghan twice, Mustafa Nahas five times, Ismail Sidky five times, Hafez Afifi six times but not one of them succeeded. Some of our negotiators were anti-British and were supported by the whole people, others were Anglophiles and isolated at home (like Hilali last year) but they all failed." But the junta has now changed its tune, mainly perhaps as a result of the lessening in international tension which has had an adverse effect on Egypt's bargaining and nuisance value.

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ON May 1, members of the Liberation movement are to appear in their new uniform for the first time: white shirts, black shorts and a red cap (all for 35 piastres!). This is good-news indeed, but then there are many people in Egypt who do not even have the 35 piastres, nor is there anything new about uniforms as far as Cairo and Alexandria are concernd. It will make some impression in the countryside and Nagib has indeed made considerable efforts to win supporters in Upper and Lower Egypt. But Egyptian policy is made in the capital and in the capital only, and to the somewhat more sophisticated Cairo mob the junta will have to offer something more substantial.

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A French writer, Paul Morand I believe it was, once said that the British and Egyptians are not unlike an unhappily married couple who are always reconciled at the last moment instead of taking refuge in divorce. As the British appear to be willing enough to get out of Suez, a formal divorce may be prevented this time too. Such success would give Nagib fresh credit for several months, but not much more, and then he would have to arouse in his compatriots some new unfulfilled national aspiration such as the unification of the Arab countries under his (and Egypt's) leadership or the conquest of Northern Africa or a second round against Israel or something of the sort. In his own words he must kindle the "fire of revolution" all the time unless he and his friends are to be burnt by it: this is basic theory of revolutions and there is some truth in it, at least if one has decided to forego internal reform and concentrate on foreign policy.

Jerusalem, April 26.

ADENAUER TO LONDON

LONDON, Saturday (UP). — German Federal Chancellor Konrad Adenauer will visit London as guest of the British Government from May 14 to 16, the Foreign Office announced last night.

Riley Quits U.N. Post For 'Personal' Reasons

Jerusalem POST Staff

General William E. Riley has resigned his post as Chief of Staff of the U.N. Truce Supervision Organization giving "personal and family reasons" for the step which came unexpectedly, although not completely as a surprise, when announced in Jerusalem yesterday morning.

General Riley arrived here in August, 1948, at the head of a team of about 100 American observer officers attached to the U.N. A month later he was first designated as Chief of Staff of the T.S.O. by the Acting Mediator, Dr. Ralph Bunche. Following the Security Council resolution of August 11, 1949, he was re-appointed to serve in that capacity under the terms of the General Armistice Agreement; he has thus been Chairman of the Mixed Armistice Commissions from their inception.

It is this period of almost five years of service in the area that was emphasized by General Riley yesterday in response to a query from **The POST** on the reasons for his resignation. This was also stressed in the brief press communique issued from General Riley's Jerusalem headquarters.

The two-sentence communique from "Government House" read as follows:

After a period of almost five years as Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organisation, General William E. Riley announces with deep regret that he has decided, for personal and family reasons, to request the Secretary-General of the United Nations to release him from this assignment.

The Secretary-General has accepted this resignation, and General Riley expects to leave the Middle-Eastern area on or around May 15 next.

General Riley told **The POST** that he had offered his resignation three times before, the last time being October last. This time he sent in his resignation a fortnight ago and made it final.

He had suggested some time ago to Mr. Andrew Cordier, Executive Assistant to the Secretary-General, that nominations for a successor from among U.S. Generals should be sought, so that the new Chief of Staff could arrive here in time to take over before he left.

The U.N. Chief of Staff spent a busy day at his H.Q. yesterday. It is understood that he intends to leave no unfinished business for his successor and aims at concluding the inquiry into last Wednesday's shooting in Jerusalem which he proposed to both Israel and Jordan. There may, however, be some delay in the next few days on the Jordan side owing to pre-occupation with the forthcoming coronation of King Hussein and the change of government expected at the same time.

Asked yesterday how the Jerusalem cease-fire agreed on at Thursday's MAC meeting was being enforced, General Riley said, "I've enjoyed the quietest 48 hours here since 1948."

Israel has informed General Riley of its acceptance of Point One of his proposals, which calls for immediate steps to investigate the reasons for the Jerusalem shooting, on condition that Jordan will consider herself bound by the resulting MAC decisions, an Israel spokesman stated on Friday night.

Eban Sends Note To State Dep't

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP). —The Israel Embassy said today it has reiterated to the State Department "Israel's concern at the policy of the Arab States in violating Israel's frontiers and maritime rights."

The Israel viewpoint was sent in writing by Ambassador Eban to Acting Secretary of State, Walter Bedell Smith.

Earlier this week Mr. Eban called personally on Assistant Secretary of State Henry A. Byroade to draw attention to what he described as "seizure of Israel fishing vessels and infiltration of armed Jordanians across the Israel border."

Resignation No Surprise

POST Diplomatic Correspondent

HAKIRYA, Saturday. — General Riley's resignation has not come as a surprise to informed circles here. The General has been wanting to resign for a long time, and indeed this is not the first time that he has submitted his resignation. Though he is not the sort of man to be intimidated or indeed influenced in any way, by attacks on him in the Arab press, he probably feels that after more than four years of close association with the affairs of the Middle East he requires — and has earned — a change.

It is unthinkable that General Riley should leave Jerusalem before his successor has been appointed and taken over from him. It is believed that the new head of the Truce Supervision Organization may not be chosen from among the nationals of the three countries — the United States, France and Belgium — which provide the members of its staff. It is essential, in any case, that the new Chief of Staff shall be acceptable to all parties. For this reason alone, if for no other, no credence is attached here to a press report that the new Chief of Staff may be General de Ridder. Under present circumstances, this would not commend itself even as a temporary expedient pending the appointment of a permanent successor to General Riley.

This is not the place for a final

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Arab Press Alleges Raid Near Ramallah

An alleged fresh border incident in the Jerusalem-Ramallah area, the death of another person wounded on Wednesday, and heavy diplomatic representations to the three Western powers, were headlined in the Jordan press and Radio Ramallah during the weekend.

The new incident, on which Jordan filed an urgent protest with the Mixed Armistice Commission, which is to meet tomorrow to discuss the report of a subcommittee on the shooting in Jerusalem on Wednesday, concerns an alleged attack (denied by the Israel Army spokesman) on Deir Ballout village. Jordan claims that Israel soldiers threw hand-grenades at the village.

Yesterday another person died of wounds received on Wednesday, bringing the total number of fatalities in the Old City to ten, according to "A-Diffa", the Old City daily.

Associated Press reports from Beirut that the Syrian Foreign Minister received the American, British and French Ambassadors yesterday and asked them to communicate to their Governments a protest against "Israel's recent aggression in Jerusalem."

Still Studying Reports

American officials said on Friday they were still receiving and studying reports from Israel and Jordan concerning the border fighting, UP reports. The officials denied reports appearing in Tel Aviv papers that the U.S. has decided to make diplomatic representations to Israel and Jordan regarding the incidents.

Egypt has instructed its permanent U.N. delegation to submit a complaint to the Security Council on "the Jewish aggression in Jerusalem," ANA reports. Jordan is not a member of the U.N.

Jordan has asked Britain to use its influence to prevent Israel attacks on Jordan territory, according to a Reuters dispatch from London.

Arab Armies 'Will Fill Suez Gap'

Lebanese President Camille Chamoun and Egyptian Premier Mohammed Nagib held a long conference in Cairo yesterday on Arab defence military matters. Egyptian Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi and Lebanese Acting Foreign Minister Georges Hakim were present.

According to ANA, the leaders planned to strengthen the Arab armies "to fill the gap to be left by British evacuation of the Suez Canal zone and Iraq."

They also agreed to speed action on the Arab League decisions to establish a permanent Supreme Arab Defence Committee and arrange meetings of all member states' Commanders-in-Chief.

Emile Bustani, Lebanese Socialist M.P., arrived in Cairo yesterday with an urgent call to President Chamoun to cut short his six-day visit to Egypt and return to Beirut immediately. He is asked to dissolve parliament and prepare new elections.

Last Tuesday, the Lebanese parliament unanimously refused to extend the mandate of Khaled Shihab's caretaker cabinet which expired last week after six months. Shihab has stuck to office without constitutional right.

AFTER MIDNIGHT

King Hussein has asked Fawzi Mulki, Jordan Ambassador to London, to form a government in the place of Tewfik Abu'l Huda, who is resigning on May 4.

The Israel envoy was among the 15 diplomats who presented their credentials to Marshal Tito yesterday last night. Until the recently established constitution, foreign representatives were accredited to the President of the Yugoslav National Assembly.

Vietminh Troops Advance On Royal Citadel

HANOI, Saturday (UP). — Communist-led Vietminh troops drove today to within 45 miles of the royal capital of Luang Prabang as organized opposition along the main invasion route into Laos appeared to have collapsed.

A French headquarters spokesman announced a patrol clash at the little Franco-Laotian outpost of Pakseng on the Nam Suong river only 45 miles northeast of Luang Prabang. This indicated the Vietminhese had advanced 15 miles since capturing and setting fire to Muong Ngoi yesterday.

No details were yet available from Pakseng where outnumbered French Union troops fought their delaying action in a frantic bid to gain time for the buildup of Luang Prabang's defenses.

A second Vietminh force was camped barely 60 miles east of the royal citadel, residence of King Sisavang Vong, approximately midway between Luang Prabang and the Franco-Laotian bastion on the plains of Jarres, 260 miles southwest of here.

A third invasion spearhead was aimed at the administrative capital of Vientiane, 70 miles south of the plains of Jarres, where the enemy was likely to by-pass the biggest concentration of French fire power.

Evacuation Plans Ready

The Laotian Government at Vientiane announced that evacuation plans are ready. The Laotian Government also announced that it had prevailed upon ailing King Sisavang Vong to flee his royal residence at Luang Prabang in case the ancient citadel falls. Earlier, the aging monarch had insisted he would remain.

The headquarters' spokesman said Luang Prabang had been strongly reinforced. He denied reports the city would be evacuated shortly although the Laotian Government announced yesterday that air evacuation plans were in readiness.

Improved atmospheric conditions enabled heavy aircraft to resume the airlift into the plains of Jarres and step up action against enemy lines of communication.

Admiral Arthur Radford, Commander-in-Chief of United States land, sea and air forces in the Pacific, tonight described the situation in Indo-China as "serious." Admiral Radford arrived here tonight to get an up to the minute picture from the French high command on the defence of Indo-China.

QUEEN LEAVING PERSIA

TEHERAN, Saturday (Reuter). — Queen Souraiya, the Shah's wife, is to leave by air tomorrow for Europe "for treatment," it was announced here today. The Queen, who is in her early twenties, married the Shah in 1951.

Korean Peace Talks Begin Today

PANMUNJOM, Saturday (UP).—Full-dress Korean armistice talks are to open in Panmunjom on Sunday, a few hours after the Communists are scheduled to return a "home" group of 84 sick and wounded Allied prisoners.

Both sides appeared to be waiting for results of the opening armistice session before making specific proposals for continuing and broadening the current exchange of sick and wounded.

"If the truce settlement is in sight," an American officer said, "there will be no necessity for making new agreements to bring back more sick and wounded."

Allied PoWs Report Korean Brutality

TOKYO, Saturday (UP). — A record of North Korean brutality and generally civilized Chinese Communist treatment is emerging from the reports of liberated Allied prisoners.

Out of scores of conflicting stories — some telling of murder, death marches and starvation, others of fair treatment and unexpectedly good medical care — these facts can be sifted:

Most of the atrocities charged to the Communists by returned prisoners occurred during the early months of the Korean war, particularly during the bitter winter of 1950-51, when the North Koreans were running prison camps and were responsible for transporting, feeding and providing medical care for captured U.N. troops.

Maltreatment and murder of prisoners and of anti-Communist civilians occurred in wholesale lots during the North Korean army's retreat of October-November, 1950.

Behind-the-lines treatment of captured Allied troops and conditions in most P-o-W camps improved as the Chinese progressively took over direction of both the war and the rear-area operations from mid-1951 to 1952.

British Commonwealth prisoners were largely confined in one camp which had much higher standards than the camps where South Koreans, Turks and some Americans were imprisoned. Except for instances in which wounded men were left by the Communists to die on the battlefield, repatriated British soldiers have mentioned no atrocities.

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Extra PoW's Released

PANMUNJOM, Saturday (Reuter). — The Communists today returned 17 more sick and wounded prisoners of war, topping by 16 the total promised under the current exchange agreement.

They announced that they would return a further 13 Americans and 71 South Koreans tomorrow. The U.N. will turn over to the Communists 600 North Koreans.

Peron Escapes Another Bombing, Advances in Economic Battle

BUENOS AIRES, Saturday. — Two bomb blasts early today damaged the big Circulo Army Club where President Juan Peron had a few hours earlier attended the unveiling of a portrait of his late wife Eva.

Officials said that there were no casualties. The building was believed to have been empty at the time.

The President escaped two other bomb explosions recently. After the explosion which killed six persons eight days ago at a mass rally addressed by Sr. Peron, his enraged supporters set fire to the offices of opposition parties here.

As a result of this incendiarism, the National Committee of the opposition Conservative Democratic Party voted unanimously yesterday to order its members to resign from provincial congresses and municipalities.

The Democrats have no members in the National Congress where the Radicals, who have 14 representatives, are the only opposition. The Radicals are meeting tomorrow to discuss the reaction.

On the economic front, the President seems to be winning the "battle for meat" in the fight against the high cost of living. Although hundreds of butchers are in jail for overcharging, meat is back in the shops that remain open. The Government has threatened to retail meat if the butchers do not cooperate in reducing prices.

The authoritative "Review of the River Plate" estimated today that the cost of living fell 6.5% between March 10 and April 10.

Seventeen foreign tradesmen were yesterday imprisoned for 90 days and fined an aggregate of a million pesos (£35,000) for profiteering. The police have closed their premises and asked the Government to expel the group which consists of seven Spaniards, seven Italians, a Russian, a Brazilian and a Syrian.

(Reuter, UP)

ISRAEL - CHILE TREATY SIGNED

SANTIAGO, Saturday. — Israel Foreign Minister Moshe Sharett and Chilean Foreign Minister Oscar Fenner yesterday signed the first treaty between their two countries. It provides for cultural exchange in the journalistic, artistic and intellectual fields.

Mr. Sharett was earlier received by President Carlos Ibanez who said he would be pleased to accept Mr. Sharett's invitation to visit Israel. The Chilean President was given a present from President Ben-Zvi — a second century porcelain vase found in recent excavations outside Jerusalem.

The two Foreign Ministers addressed a meeting of 2,000 persons on Thursday opened by Snr. Roberto Aron, President of the Chilean Zionist Federation. Snr. Fenner described Mr. Sharett as "the nicest and most dynamic statesman I have met."

(INA, Reuter, UP)

PREMIER DISCUSSES RELIEF WORKS

The Prime Minister, Mr. David Ben Gurion, discussed the unemployment situation in Jerusalem on Friday with Mr. Mordecai Namir, Secretary-General of the General Federation of Labour (Histadrut).

Mr. Namir called for the establishment of a Government institution with broad powers to tackle the unemployment problem; the mobilization of funds through unemployment taxes, or forced loans to finance relief works designed to employ at least 10,000 people; and emergency non-essential works, even beyond the framework of development plans and essential productive works, if the jobless cannot be employed otherwise.

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White House Hopes Pravda Editorial Is Step to Peace

U.S. Demands 'Official Action'

WASHINGTON, Saturday. — The White House said today that Russia's new peace statement may be "a first step towards something concrete" in settling the cold war problems. The official White House statement said: "The free world will continue to wait for the definite steps that must be made if the Soviet leaders are sincerely interested in finding a cooperative solution to world problems."

A statement issued by President Eisenhower's press secretary, Mr. James Hagerty, said that the Pravda editorial's milder tone is a welcome change from the usual vituperation against the U.S. and the free world.

"It is also significant that the world-wide interest in the President's peace speech caused the Soviet leaders to reprint it in full for the Russian people.

"Of course, the Pravda editorial cannot be considered a substitute for official action by the Soviet leaders.

"If the Soviet leaders take such steps they will find the United States and the other nations as always ready to work unceasingly for peace."

(UP, Reuter)

Russia Ready For Peace Talks: Pravda

MOSCOW, Saturday (UP). — In an unprecedented full-page editorial "Pravda" and "Izvestia" today accepted Pres. Eisenhower's challenge to discuss peace and said further that the Soviet Government is ready to engage in business-like talks directly with the U.S., or within the framework of the U.N. for an amicable solution of outstanding problems.

However, the editorial said that it saw no evidence in Pres. Eisenhower's recent speech that the U.S. really wants such talks, since the President laid down certain unacceptable conditions without offering any corresponding concessions.

(Mr. Eisenhower, in his first major foreign policy speech on April 16, told newspaper editors what his terms for a settlement with Russia were).

The editorial particularly and bitterly attacked Secretary of State Dulles for trying to convert Mr. Eisenhower's speech into "an act of war." It said Mr. Dulles' "militant pose would hardly achieve its objective."

Dulles Attacked

Asserting that American foreign policy did not support the President's invitation to peace, the Soviet statement launched into an attack on Mr. Dulles (Mr. Dulles said after the President had spoken that the west would have to go ahead on "all fronts" if Russia spurned the olive branch.)

"The belligerent attitude of Dulles has been known for a long time," the Soviet statement said. "Perhaps comment was merely a very free interpretation of Pres. Eisenhower's speech, but one cannot overlook that he is the head of the State Department and his words must be related to the official viewpoint of the Government."

The statement said Mr. Dulles had perhaps betrayed the inner meaning of American policy by his advocacy of the European Army — "in other words a continuation of the arms race."

The Soviet newspapers said: "The appeal for peace will, of course, meet with proper support on our part, but it is difficult to overlook that the foreign policy of the U.S. is still not following the path indicated by the appeal."

Statement Challenged

The statement challenged the President on a number of points, among them, China, Germany, Eastern Europe and disarmament.

China: "Who can regard the situation as normal, when China, the biggest country in the world, is deprived of opportunity to take part in the work of the Security Council and the General Assembly?" The President, Russia charged, had said nothing in his speech about "the establishment of China's rights" in the U.N.

Germany: The speech lacked the foundation for a solution to the problem of Germany and ignored the Potsdam agreement.

Western Europe: "It would be strange to expect that the Soviet Union would interfere to restore reactionary regimes in those countries. The facts show that the peoples of Eastern Europe adopted the Communist Popular Democratic form of government in a determined struggle for their rights."

Disarmament: "According to Mr. Eisenhower, the U.S. Government has insisted on reduction of armaments, while the Soviet Union has opposed this and perhaps put up obstacles. This is an obvious attempt falsely to blame the Soviet Union for the original armaments race which has been going on in recent years in the countries of the Anglo-American Bloc."

As to Mr. Eisenhower's proposal for a world aid front, Pravda said a number of states were not so much interested in "aid from the U.S. as that the United States does not support new steps in the way of development of normal trade between states and in the expansion of international trade turnover."

NATO to Rearm Until USSR Proves Goodwill

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — The 14-nation Atlantic Pact Council today declared its intention to strengthen Western defence until Russia matched her "peace offensive" with an authentic effort to end world tension.

It also promptly stamped its approval to the costliest-ever annual defence build-up for the year 1953-54. At least $70,000m. will be spent in the next 12 months, according to usually reliable sources.

A communique issued at the end of the Council's meeting said of the recent Soviet peace moves:

"To the extent that these moves and gestures are proved by events to be genuine to reduce international tension, they will be welcomed by member governments, whose policy has always been to seek every opportunity for world peace. Nevertheless, the Council found that there had not yet in fact been any change in the fundamental threat to the security of free peoples."

Collective Defence Affirmed

The Council said that it "reaffirmed the policy of collective defence which has proved fully justified, and which has been responsible for the growing confidence of the free world."

The European Army, which would include contingents from France, Western Germany, Italy, Holland, Belgium and Luxembourg, should be "established as soon as possible in an ever more closely United Europe," the communique declared. It announced that there would be a "notable increase" in the size of forces assigned to NATO Supreme Commanders and a considerable improvement in their effectiveness.

The communique came at the end of a three-day session in the Palais de Chaillot attended by NATO's 40 Defence and Finance Ministers.

The reported programme for 1953-54, though the costliest yet, will not mean a rise in the size of military forces. The programme concentrates on "quality before quantity," placing main emphasis on the re-equipping of existing forces with latest type jet aircraft and arms and the strengthening of reserves.

MacArthur Plan Gets Cold Shoulder

WASHINGTON, Saturday (UP). — Gen. Douglas MacArthur had no takers today for his plan to induce Russia to settle the Korean war by threatening to destroy China's industry and its supply link with the Soviet Union.

The White House, State Department and Defense Department all declined to comment on his proposals. Congressmen, some of them Gen. MacArthur's admirers, cautiously avoided endorsing the plan while the U.S. and its allies appear to be making some progress toward negotiating an end to the Korean hostilities.

Cut Supply Lines

The General, in a letter to Senator Harry Byrd, of Virginia, which was released today, said that a threat to bomb China and cut her supply lines from the Soviet Union might force Russia to "settle the Korean war and all pending global issues on equitable terms."

Gen. MacArthur's "threaten China" idea, made public yesterday, included a bitter denunciation of the Truman Administration's handling of the Korean war as well as a defence of his previously stated idea of hitting directly at China.

Dulles Made No Promises

PARIS, Saturday (Reuter). — A spokesman for Mr. John Foster Dulles, American Secretary of State yesterday denied categorically that the American Secretary of State had promised West German Chancellor Konrad Adenauer that he would support West German entry into the Atlantic pact.

The spokesman said no such promise was ever given.

The Bonn report caused a minor sensation in NATO quarters here yesterday during a meeting of the 14 nation Atlantic Council which was discussing the European army treaty.

Gascoigne Sees Molotov

LONDON, Saturday (UP). — The British Ambassador to Moscow, Sir Alvary Gascoigne, has had a second meeting with Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov on strictly Anglo-Soviet problems, informed sources said here yesterday.

The meeting, which took place on Thursday, followed talks on April 11 in which Sir Alvary brought up a number of problems involving only Britain and Russia.

Mr. Molotov told the Ambassador the Soviet Government still had the problems under study, the sources said. A third meeting between the two was likely.

The main problem discussed was believed to be the fate of Russian wives of British subjects who have been refused permission to join their husbands in Britain. The Anglo-Russian fishing treaty denounced by Russia some months ago was another of the outstanding issues believed under review.

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Social & Personal

President Ben-Zvi has left Jerusalem on a week's convalescent leave. He is accompanied by his wife.

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Prof. Benzion Dinur, Minister of Education and Culture, yesterday opened the exhibition "One Nation out of Many Peoples" at the Bezalel Museum in Jerusalem. Mr. M. Narkiss, Museum Curator, explained the scope of the exhibit.

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The British Ambassador, Sir Francis Evans, called on Mr. Walter Eytan, Director-General of the Foreign Ministry, on Friday, before leaving on vacation next week.

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Col. Richard Meinertzhagen, who served as Chief Political Officer in Palestine and Syria after World War I, left for Britain by El Al on Friday after a two-month visit.

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Mgr. G. Testa, Apostolic Delegate to Israel and Jordan, left by L.I.A. on Friday to take up his appointment as Papal Nuncio in Switzerland. He was seen off by Mgr. Antonio Vergani, Patriarchate Vicar in Galilee, and Mgr. Giuseppe Palatucci, Bishop of Campagna, Italy.

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Finance Minister Levi Eshkol received Mrs. Lorna Wingate on Friday, accompanied by Mr. O. Ben Ami, Mayor of Natanya. The establishment of a physical culture school in Natanya in honour of the late Orde Wingate was discussed.

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Judge Simon Rifkind, former Adviser on Jewish Affairs to the American Commander in Germany, is in the country and is now staying at the King David Hotel.

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The District Representative in Jerusalem, Dr. A. Biran, is leaving today for the U.S. on behalf of the Bond Drive.

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Mr. James H. Becker, Vice-President of the American Joint Distribution Committee, and Mrs. Becker, arrived at Lydda Airport on Friday for a brief visit.

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Mr. Ernest Nathan, member of the Board of Directors of the Palestine Economic Corporation, arrived in Israel last week to investigate investment possibilities in Israel's chemical industry.

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A Pontifical Mass will be celebrated by Mgr. George Hakim, Archbishop of Galilee, at St. Elias Church, 30 Allenby Road, Haifa, at 10 a.m. today in honour of St. George's Day.

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Professor P. Delougaz, Professor of Archaeology at the University of Chicago, will deliver the first of four guest lectures on "The Early Civilization of Mesopotamia" (in Hebrew) under the auspices of the Hebrew University at 6 tonight at Terra Sancta, 1 Ali St., Jerusalem. The public is invited.

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The Netherlands Minister in Israel and Madame Boissevain will be at home to members of the Netherlands Colony on the occasion of Her Majesty the Queen's birthday on Thursday, April 30, at the Israel Touring Club, Talbieh, Jerusalem, between 4 and 6 p.m.

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Owing to illness, Prof. M. Bernstein's lecture on "Observations on Government Budgeting in Israel" scheduled to be delivered this evening at the Technion, has been postponed.

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On the occasion of the fifteenth anniversary of the death of Alter Druyanov, the Youth and Hehalutz Department of the Zionist Organization will shortly publish a new edition of the book "Pinsker and his Time," revised and enlarged by the author.

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REVIEW OF FRIDAY'S PRESS

Border Unrest Seen In International Perspective

"Hatzofeh" (General Zionist) says that a complaint to the Security Council about recent Arab attacks is now being contemplated: there can be no doubt that both the Jordan and Egyptian attacks coupled with the propaganda for a new war constitute a danger to world peace.

The paper says that the demands forwarded by the Arab states to the West will be much larger and more extreme if the West displays weakness (cf. Britain in 1939). Not a single Arab country joined the democracies in the struggle against Hitler, and the revolt of Rashid Ali was an epilogue to the London Conference of 1939. It would not be a bad idea to present the Western Powers with a list of the "political achievements" of appeasement in recent times from Shat el Arab to Casablanca.

Dr. Bader writing in "Herut" says that General de Ridder should be recalled, — not because he is responsible for what has happened in and around Jerusalem (this, according to the writer, is the responsibility of the Arabs, American and British encouragement and the timidity of the Israel leaders) but in view of his provocative decisions which in fact endanger his personal security — for which Israel carries the responsibility.

Continuation of War

Writing in the same paper Mr. M. Begin says that the present guerilla attacks are the continuation of war by underhand means. The writer sharply depreciates the various complaints made by the Government and the requests for outside interference which would be tantamount to a return to the status of *Schutzjuden*.

"Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) says that the growing impertinence of the reactionary rulers is a direct result of Republican Washington's new Middle East policy. The Arabs knew how to make an impression on American policy makers: by aggressive acts they increase their bargaining power. The paper says that these intrigues may be thwarted by repelling all attacks on the frontier and at the same time changing the basic approach of Israel foreign policy, i.e. discontinuing all efforts to participate in Western defence schemes.

Teachers' Strike

"Davar" (Histadrut) criticizes in its editorial column the strike called by the Teachers' Association and says that though the demands voiced by the teachers were probably justified there was no necessity to cause a lock-out of thousands of pupils. A strike is an extreme weapon and should not be used indiscriminately.

"Kol Ha'am" (Communist) features a long article attacking the Sh. S. Yariv series in "Davar" while "Al Hamishmar" in an even longer contribution deals with that inexhaustible topic, the Communist regime, the future of the Jews and the villainy of Dr. Sneh. Cartoonists were preoccupied with the disorder outside the Ramat Gan Stadium on Independence Day.

NATO Greates Pool For Jet Planes

PARIS, Saturday (UP). — The Western allies established a $350m. pool on Thursday to build modern jet fighters in Europe and ease the strain on overburdened taxpayers in the 14 Atlantic pact members.

NATO Secretary General Lord Ismay and American, Defence Secretary Charles E. Wilson predicted further similar pooling agreements which will cut costs even more.

"We hope that the international (NATO) staff with the full support of all NATO nations will soon be in a position to provide other coordinate procurement plans for achieving a strong and unified Europe," Mr. Wilson said.

The U.S. contributed $31m. to the programme which will see modern British and French jet fighters built in four European nations between now and 1956. An additional contract with Italy for production of American F-86 all weather fighters is also under negotiation.

Britain, Belgium, The Netherlands and France will put up the additional money. The planes being built under the programme are the French "Mystere" sweept-wing fighter, which American test pilots proved is capable of flying faster than sound, and Britain's most modern jets, the Hawker sweept-wing "Hunter," possibly the best fighter in production today; the Supermarine "Swift" fighter, and the Hawker Seahawk carrier-based jet fighter.

Argentine C.P. For Popular Front

BUENOS AIRES, Saturday (UP).—The Politburo of the Argentine Communist Party charged in a manifesto on Wednesday that President Juan Peron's "Social Justice" Government had proved "ineffectual in the face of the current grave political and economic crisis."

As a solution, the Politburo urged the formation of a "popular front" government, with the progressive elements of both Peronists and the opposition.

It was considered noteworthy that the call for a coalition came from the sole political party to escape the fury of Peronist mobs which on the night of April 15 burned down the Socialist, Radical and Conservative Party headquarters.

Where to go

JERUSALEM

9-1; 3-6: Exhibition: "One Nation Out of Many Peoples." Recent French acquisitions. Bezalel Museum.

9-4: Archaeological Exhibition, Dept. of Antiquities, 28 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech.

10-1: Sanhedria Tombs.

11.30-12.30: Film Show at Keren Hayesod.

10-1; 4-6: Jerusalem Artists. Spring Exhibition. Artists House.

10-12; 3-6: Exhibition of Paintings. Y.M.C.A.

TEL AVIV

11-1; 4-7: J. Wexler's Exhibition of Paintings. Art Pavilion, 9 Rehov Allharizi.

7 & 9.30 p.m.: Li-La-Lo, "Spring in Tel Aviv," Jascha Heifetz Hall.

8.30 p.m.: Marina Svetlova and her Group. Ohel Shem.

8.30 p.m.: "Saint Joan." Chamber Theatre, Mograbi.

HAIFA

4-7 p.m.: Haya Schwartz Paintings. Artists Home, 32 Uno Ave., (opp. Carmelia).

10-1: Jewish Antiquities, Hellenistic, Roman, Byzantine, Arabic Art. Municipal Museum, Town Hall.

6 p.m. — Opening, Exhibition of paintings by Haifa Artists. Municipal Museum, Town Hall.

ON THE AIR

JERUSALEM: 697 M.; HAIFA: 349 M.; TEL AVIV: 43.8, 33.5 & 822 M.

FIRST PROGRAMME

NEWS: Hebrew: 7 a.m., 7.30, 1.30, 6.15, 8.30, 10 p.m.; Arabic Programme (in Hebrew News) 8.00 a.m., 1.15 and 6.50 p.m. Turkish: 10.00 a.m.

6.30 a.m. Service. 6.35 Exercises. 6.45 Musical Clock (R). 7.10 Morning Melodies (R). 8.00 Oriental Music (R). 8.45 Close Down.

10.30 a.m. Music While You Work. 11.00 Music of the People (R). 11.40 Housewives' Corner. 12.00 Programme for Hospitals. 12.30 Concert Hall: Overture "Don Giovanni" (Mozart); Violin Concerto No. 2 (Wieniawski); Symphony No. 3 (Mendelssohn).

1.45 Programme Announcements. 1.48 Break for Music (R). 3.00 Close Down.

4 p.m. Siesta (R). 5.00 Tea Time Music (R).

5.45 Children's Hour. 7.00 Variety (R). 7.07 Announcements. 7.10 Talk. 7.20 Variety (R). 7.45 "In the Courtroom" Talk by S. Z. Cheshin. 8.00 "Wells of Work." 8.34 Bible Reading. 8.45 Works by Schumann: Fantasy in C major for Piano; Violon Sonata; Symphony No. 1 (Schumann).

SECOND PROGRAMME

600, 225, 216, 430 M.

English News: 1.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m. 4.00 p.m. Music for Sunday (R). 4.40 Chess Corner. 5.00 Programme for Yemenites. 5.20 Story. 5.30 Music (R). 5.45 Talmud Lesson. 6.15 Close Down.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (28.3 M): 11.15 p.m. Newsreel. 11.30 "Personal Column," by Walter Eytan. 11.35 "The Tourists Meet the Brainstrust."

ARMY PROGRAMMES: (44.6, 216, 239 & 225 M.): 6.30 Opening. 7.00 "Zahal" Programme. 7.30 Today's Events. 7.45 Sports. 8.00 Entrance Ticket. 8.30 News. 8.45 Talk. 9.15 Dance Music. 10.00 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS: (24.96, 31.15 M.): 7.30-8.30 p.m. News, News Talk, Music Time.

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THE WEEK AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE

Quiet Returns to Exchange

TEL AVIV.—After a lively week, a more quiet tendency prevailed with only small turnovers. Prices generally changed slightly. Tavel Dollar which closed last week cum coupon at 302 were on April 23, 302¾, and ex coupon rose from 299 last week to 300½. After a temporary rise of 1½ points 3% National Loan lost ground on April 23 and closed at 268 against 271½ on April 16. Ata Ord. "B" share lost 1¼ points to 129¼, while the preference shares remained 97½ buyers only. Palestine Electric were quoted 150¼ and 154½ as against 150½ and 156½ for London and Israel Registered respectively. Africa - Palestine Investment which closed last week at 122½, dropped by 2½ points on April 17, but recovered partly to 121½. Tevа were ¼% higher at 100¾, while Kurdaneh dropped to 129¼. P.L.D.C. ordinary shares were 2½ points lower at 177 and 175 for bearer and registered shares respectively, while debentures dropped to 98¼ on April 22. Palestine Cold Storage which had risen by 5½% the previous week, dropped from 117½ to 114¾. The new 3½% Government Loan, dealings in which on the free market started last week, changed hands at between 82 and 83¼%, closing at 82½% April 23.

NEW YORK— Prices dropped again, and on the whole losses predominated. Dow Jones Industrial Index was on April 21 275.48 after 277.35 the week before. General Electric issues, however, were a favourite and finished on April 21 nearly half a point higher, as the company had the best first quarter in its history with sales and earnings at new peaks, the latter amounting to 159 c per share against 101 c. in the same period of 1952.

LONDON.— The announcement of the British Electricity authority issue of £125m. caused a temporary set-back in gilt-edged bonds which however served to attract fresh buyers with the result of a good recovery. Generally, conditions were quiet, but some interest was displayed in speculative favourites. Among foreign bonds interest concentrated on Chinese issues which during the week gained a few points, apparently reflecting the Korean peace move. Japanese bonds, which earlier in the week lost ground, mainly on consideration of the election results in that country, recovered slightly. Reuters Index for gilt-edgeds was 84.6 on April 21 against 84.2 on April 15, and for industrials 136.0 against 139.3 in the previous week.

GOLD.—The world free market price for gold in terms of U.S. currency was unchanged at $36.95 to $37.05 per fine ounce. At the Paris free market, the precarious financial situation and Government difficulties were responsible for a firmer trend early in the week. One kilogram fine gold ingot jumped from Ffrs. 503,000 — to 510,000 — but sales by dealers, presumably acting for the Bank of France, brought the ingot price to slightly lower levels later in the week.

COMMODITIES — Markets were slightly firmer. Reuters U.K. commodities index was 498.1 on April 21 after 494.2 and 499 in the two preceding weeks. The feature on the London metal exchange was a further heavy fall in the price of tin, cash metal dropping to £705 per ton on April 20, after £755 on April 16. Zinc was lower than at any time since the market re-opened at the beginning of this year, and final quotations were £86.13/— to £87.5/— a ton. Lead too was slightly lower. There was a general demand for Indian tea, while the London rubber market was very quiet.

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SPAIN READY TO DEFEND WEST

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — A message in the "News Chronicle" stated that Alberto Martin Artajo, Spanish Foreign Minister, had told its correspondent that Spain would probably sign the "aid for bases" agreement with the U.S. before the summer.

The correspondent in Madrid quoted Snr. Artajo as saying: "The basis for our collaboration within the framework of western defence will be the agreement with the U.S. and our long standing friendship with Portugal."

"We are ready to defend western interests as a whole. Spain regards herself as a bastion and not as a last ditch defence."

Preston Pick Up On Arsenal

Preston North End, who are running neck and neck with Arsenal for the championship of the First Division of the English Football League, picked up a point on the "Gunners" Wednesday night as they defeated relegation-haunted Manchester City, 2-0, as Cardiff City held Arsenal to a goal-less draw.

Preston and Arsenal meet in a League game, on the former's ground, on Saturday — and, as both sides have equal points with two games to play — this match may prove to be the one which decides the championship. Arsenal have a much stronger goal average, however, and a draw might be sufficient to bring them the honours.

RESULTS: **English League: Div I:** Bolton W. 0, West Brom 0; Cardiff 0, Arsenal 0; Charlton 0, Burnley 0; Man. C. 0, Preston N.E. 2.

Div II: Brentford 1, Luton T. 1; Everton 6, Lincoln C. 3; Leeds U. 2, Notts. F. 1; Doncaster R. 2, Notts. C. 0. **Div. III(S):** Aldershot 3, Gillingham 2; Brighton 2, Bournemouth 0; Crystal P. 1, Ipswich T. 1; Exeter C. 1, Coventry C; Norwich C. 0, Bristol R. 0.

Div. III(N): Bradford 4, Accrington S. 0; Chester 2, Crewe A. 2; Workington 4, Wrexham O.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE: Div. A: Clyde 3, Th. Lanark 2; **Div. B:** Forfar A. 6, Kilmarnock 0; Queens Pk. 4, Albion R. 0.

Kelly Out of Blackpool Cup Side

Blackpool will be without their wing-half Hugh Kelly, when they play their Lancashire neighbours, Bolton Wanderers, in the final of the Football Association Cup Tournament at Wembley Stadium on May 2. Kelly injured an ankle last Saturday in the League game against Liverpool.

This is the second Cup Final blow against luckless Blackpool since their Scottish international inside forward, Allan Brown, broke a leg in scoring the winning goal against Arsenal in their sixth round Cup Tie against the London side at Highbury Stadium.

Meanwhile Bolton have arranged to undertake a four-day match tour of Germany a few days after the Cup Final. They will be sending a 16-man side on tour.

JERUSALEM CINEMAS

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Hakirya	—	—	—	23
Tel Aviv Port	24	13	20	—
Lydda Airport	25	9	28	25
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Beersheba	26	11	27	26
Eilat	—	—	—	33

FORECAST:—Mainly fair.

°A) Humidity at 8 p.m. B) Minimum temp. C) Maxim. yesterday. D) Maximum temp. expected today.

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A TOTAL of 309,337 children attend 948 Jewish elementary schools in Israel, according to the latest figures published by the Ministry of Education. In 1948 67,000 pupils went to 320 such schools. This year 12,800 children will finish their elementary school studies. Of the 9,187 teachers in these schools, 4,788, are female.

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THE TIME limit for appeals against municipal assessments for tax purposes has been extended until May 13.

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THE IMMIGRATION and Naturalization Office in Jerusalem is to be closed today owing to its transfer to new quarters in the Generali Building.

Samaritans to Cross Lines Tomorrow

The entire Samaritan community in Israel, which lives in Jaffa, will cross the Jordan-Israel lines tomorrow as scheduled in order to attend the traditional Samaritan Passover celebrations on Mount Gerizim, near Nablus. An agreement to this effect was reached on April 14 in Jerusalem between the Jordan Foreign Relations Office in the Old City and the Jerusalem District Representative.

The group consists of 82 persons, including children, and will obtain Jordan dinars for their expenses from the Israel Government. In past years Jordan either refused to allow the crossing altogether or extended permission to a limited number only.

SUPREME COURT SHORT OF JUDGES

The Supreme Court will not sit today for lack of Justices. A number of the members of the Supreme Court are on sick leave and others are kept busy with work on special commissions and other duties. It is expected that Dr. M. Landau, of the Haifa District Court, will be temporarily appointed to the Supreme Court in the near future.

Speed Limits Rise Under New Traffic Regulations

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Summing up the 145 sections of the new traffic regulations which take effect on June 1, Mr. H. Razili, Director-General of the Ministry of Communications said here yesterday that good manners and "road courtesy" were of paramount importance in preventing accidents.

The main features of the regulations are:

The speed limit for cars goes up from 60 to 70 kms. an hour on open roads and from 25 to 40 kms. in built up areas. For trucks and buses the limit goes up by five kilometres in each case. But, as Mr. Y. Guy, head of Traffic Police at Police Headquarters pointed out, any driver could be prosecuted for driving at any speed if it were deemed careless or dangerous.

No traffic offender or person involved in an accident can appeal from the Magistrate's Court to the District Courts. Many drivers in the past abused this privilege to delay punishment, Judge H. B. Lowenberg, Chairman of the National Traffic Laws Committee, said.

Every police inspector may, at his discretion, withdraw the licence of a driver immediately after an accident in which the driver had proved himself in the wrong. If a driver is careless to a point which may be deemed criminal, but has not caused an accident, the Road Controller or his District Representative may withdraw the licence. In this case a driver has the right to appeal to a Court. Any Court can take away a licence if a driver uses a vehicle for any illicit reason.

It is obligatory for the Court to withdraw the licence for 12 months for a recidivist unless the judge has good reason to rule otherwise.

Punishment of Offenders

General regulations about the punishment of drivers are more stringent than ever. We must combat a state of affairs in which 200 persons lose their lives annually, thousands are injured and millions of pounds are lost on the roads, Judge Lowenberg said. Last year there were 100,000 traffic offences, one to every 16 persons, it was said.

From June 1, an offender breaking any routine traffic regulation will have the choice of paying a fine in lieu of appearing in Court.

Fines were fixed at IL.3 and IL.5 for dozens of minor offences like illegal parking, jay walking, hooting and failure to give hand signals.

Drivers must give first aid to injured persons on the road whether they are involved in the incident or not.

Cyclists are permitted to carry children who are less than four years old, provided their cycles are equipped with an extra seat.

The anomaly of the Fire Brigade not being allowed to break traffic regulations has been removed and they may drive "as duty demands" as do the police and army. The latter have to abide by all the rules and regulations applying to civilians.

Taxi Fares De-Controlled

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The Ministry of Communications have informed the Taxi Drivers' Association that it would shortly publish a regulation abolishing the present fares control system, a spokesman for the Association told *The POST* tonight. The Ministry said that drivers would still be prosecuted for profiteering if they charge in excess of what was reasonable (which meant the prices charged currently, minimum city fare: 500 pruta). The Ministry also told the Association that the interurban "sherut" fares would remain controlled, as well as fares for special tourist trips.

Rail Fares to Rise 30-40% Tomorrow

HAIFA, Saturday. — Railway fares will go up by an average of 30-40% on Monday, but will still be 15-20%, (and on some routes 35%) cheaper than bus fares, Mr. M. Meizer, the railway's business manager, announced here yesterday. He pointed out that rail fares had been raised only once since 1948 and were 55% less than the new bus fares. The new rise has been approved by the Government's Tariff and Price Coordination Committee.

Return tickets at reduced fares between Haifa and Tel Aviv, to be valid from Monday through Thursday, will be issued, and if successful, will also be introduced on other lines. On the Haifa-Acre route monthly tickets will be issued. An arrangement for transporting train passengers from the north Tel Aviv station into town and into Jaffa at a reduced fare of 100 prutot has been made with the Dan bus company. Train-bus tickets will be sold by the railway and agents, he said.

Mr. A. Efrati, Acting General Manager, said that the railways were running at a heavy loss, because neither passenger nor freight trains were as yet used to capacity. Freight trains were used to only 50% of capacity in the summer when there were no goods going to Haifa port.

The railway's wage bill made up 80 per cent of its total expenses, but the present staff could handle much more traffic, if it were available. Citrus was carried at specially reduced rates, to encourage export. While rail transport from Rehovot to Haifa cost 59 prutot per case (250 by lorry), porters received 85 prutot for unloading a case and transferring it into port warehouses.

Regarding future plans, Mr. Efrati said the rail link to Beersheba was now under construction and an extension to the phosphate mines was intended. Over a year ago 215 freight cars were ordered abroad and the first 15 are due in the p.s. Gefen this week. At least 12, and probably 24, passenger coaches would also be ordered, and would permit much more traffic.

PAST OFFENDERS

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Anyone summoned to Court for past breaking of routine traffic regulations for which a fine is now due in lieu of a Court case may, if he wishes, pay the fine voluntarily the date of his offence might have been. Traffic courts throughout the country will supply the details upon presentation of the Court summons. If a person wishes to be tried by the Court he may appear in person, unlike the previous hitherto whereby he could plead guilty and not appear.

Father Accused Of Shooting at Son

A father, accused of attempting to take the life of his son was detained on Friday in the Ajur ma'abara in the Jerusalem Corridor and brought to Jerusalem for interrogation.

The accused, David Gamzu, 44, was arrested after his son had told police that his father had fired on him with a sten-gun and that he had escaped unharmed only by a "miracle." The two had quarreled previously, according to the youth's statement. The father denied the charge, stating that he had not fired at his son. The police investigation is continuing. *(Itim.)*

KILLED DURING RIFLE PRACTICE

HAIFA, Saturday. — Amos Scheinfeld, 23, of Mishmar Hasharon was shot dead while practicing with a .22-calibre rifle in the settlement's vineyard this morning. A bullet fired by a second man, also practicing, hit him in the head killing him instantly.

Suspect in Heifetz Case Released After Line-Up

The Jerusalem youth, Haim Cohen, who was detained on Wednesday on suspicion of having attacked Mr. Jascha Heifetz, the violinist, last week, was released on Friday, shortly after an identification parade was held in which none of those who had witnessed the attack singled him out.

The parade was arranged by the police shortly before midnight on Thursday, corresponding to the time when the attack was made.

The suspect was lined up together with ten other youths but Dr. K. Salomon, secretary of the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra, who had seen the youth who had hit Mr. Heifetz over the hand, failed to pick any one out, and Haim Cohen was then released. The police are continuing their investigation. *(Itim.)*

HAPOEL KFAR SABA BEATS MACCABI REHOVOT

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — One of the surprises in first league football matches today was Hapoel Kfar Saba, which went up into the first league only this year, beat Maccabi Rehovot 1-0 at Rehovot. The home team fielded five reserve players, apparently not expecting such strong opposition. The only goal of the game was scored by Avrutzki, the Kfar Saba centre forward, in the 41st minute. Another surprise result was in Haifa where Maccabi Haifa beat Betar Tel Aviv 3-1. Halftime score was 1-0.

Move for T.A. University

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The keen desire by Tel Aviv scientists, men of letters and institutions to establish a University in the city was expressed at a meeting summoned last week by Mayor Haim Levanon.

Two conflicting view points were expressed on the plan. Dr. S. Levin, head of the Municipal Educational Department, said the University should be built piecemeal on the foundation of the School of Law and Economics, the Biological Institute and the School for Social workers.

Dr. Haim Boger, M.K., advocated a small, but complete university. He pointed out that teaching personnel was urgently needed and said that 5,000 out of the country's 13,000 teachers were unqualified.

Dr. J. Trawer of the Hebrew University explained the University's recent decision not to participate in founding the University. He said that of 1,200 secondary school graduates throughout the country, only about 200 wished to continue their studies. Thus, he said, the problem was to attract more young persons to secondary schools.

SIR WINSTON

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — Queen Elizabeth last night conferred a knighthood upon Sir Prime Minister, Mr. Winston Churchill. She also invested him with the insignia of the exclusive Order of the Garter, highest of all the British Orders of Knighthood.

The 78-year-old Prime Minister will be styled Sir Winston Churchill, K.G.

Moving Times

LONDON, Saturday (UP). — "The Times" announced yesterday that it had developed what is believed to be the first completely mobile printing plant in the world, capable of turning out more than 12,000 copies an hour.

"The Times" said that it had developed the truck-mounted plant, "to preserve the paper's continuity of publication throughout any emergency."

Two huge trailer trucks carry the printing plant itself, including a rotary press. Another truck carries a workshop and supplies and a trailer is loaded with generators. Four more, equipped with radio sending and receiving sets, accommodate news rooms and copy desks.

Type is set by radio-operated teletype-setters which can be controlled from any distance up to 50 kilometres.

Mandelbrot Given Life Imprisonment

HAIFA, Saturday. — Zalman Mandelbrot, 36, on trial for the murder of a fellow Ata plant worker at the factory in December, 1951, was found guilty of manslaughter and sentenced to life imprisonment in the District Court here yesterday. The Court cleared Mandelbrot of the murder charge.

While holding that at the time of the shooting Mandelbrot had been fully conscious of his action and had intended to kill, the Court decided that he had been mentally ill. The three psychiatrists who examined the accused agreed that he had been paranoic at the time of the crime and from the medical viewpoint was not responsible for his action.

The Court accepted their findings but held that the diagnosis did not release Mandelbrot of the responsibility for the crime. According to the law the accused's mental unfitness must reach a degree where he is unable to understand what he is doing, or realize that his action is wrong, the Court ruled.

TRAVEL CLERK OUT ON BAIL

Mr. Avraham Markoff, a clerk at the Jerusalem branch of the Patra Travel Agency, was detained on Friday by the economic police on suspicion of forging "N 2" travel forms. He was released on IL.1,000 bail by Magistrate Y. Wiener.

Foreign Currency Budget Lags 10%

The actual implementation of the 1952/53 Foreign Currency Budget, in its first nine months, July 1952 through March 1953, is only about ten per cent behind the estimates it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

This backlog was caused by the delay in the ratification and implementation of the German reparations agreement. In the nine months, only 60 million marks ($14.5m.), were used for crude oil purchases.

In the third quarter of the Foreign Currency Budget year, there was a considerable improvement in the field of short term investments. Short term debts have been cut by about another $10m. which have been converted into long terms debts. There also has been an expansion of the credit lines of Israel banks with their correspondents abroad. The extent of credit lines totals now about $30m. of which, however, only about $20m. are used in general.

RED CROSS.—The Minsk newspaper, "Soviet Byelorussia," yesterday claimed that a Russian merchant, Fedor Rtyshchevm founded the Red Cross Organization 200 years before the Swiss thought of it in 1863.

Locusts Defy U.N., Imperil India, Egypt

ROME, Saturday (Reuter). — Swarms of locusts are spreading west and east of the Arabian peninsula in spite of large-scale international combative measures, the Food and Agricultural Organization of the U.N. announced here today.

They are a major threat to Middle East crops this spring and summer, FAO said. The anti locust campaign is now at its peak in northwest Saudi Arabia but, "international cooperation will have to be stepped-up if serious damage to crops is to be avoided."

FAO officials estimated that adequate preventive measures in 1954 would cost $1m. involving the employment of 50 trained locust officers, 200 vehicles, spraying equipment and insecticide.

The governments concerned, alarmed by the limited success of their campaign this season, called on FAO to arrange a meeting to decide on immediate action to increase international cooperation and decide on the scale of contributions.

FAO pointed out that though preventive action in the past few years had limited damage to crops, the locust swarms were still spreading over larger areas. The food supplies of [illegible] were directly threatened, it was stated.

RILEY

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judgement on General Riley's work as U.N. Chief of Staff. It may be enough to say that during four years of tight-rope walking he has very rarely lost his balance. Most of the bad incidents along the borders have happened during his absences on duty or on leave, and he has several times had to return to his post before the trouble could be mended, for none of his assistants ever enjoyed a moral authority comparable to his. His imperturbability of spirit, his active loyalty to the members of his staff, his readiness to admit mistakes, and his genuine devotion to the cause of peace in the Middle East — all these have earned General Riley a generous meed of gratitude and respect. His place will not be easy to fill, and the time may come, sooner perhaps than they think, when even the Arabs who have been assailing him so mercilessly may regret his departure.

General Riley who, like his political adviser, M. Henri Vigier, had a large part in the negotiation of the Armistice Agreements under the direction of Dr. Bunche, would be the first to admit that these agreements were never regarded as a permanent basis of Israel-Arab relations, and that nobody ever thought at the time that the procedural machinery they established would remain in being for as long as four years. Though it has perhaps stood the test of time better than anyone could have expected, it is clear that a good many of its component parts have been getting rusty. Now that a new works manager is to take over, the time may be opportune to overhaul some of the machinery—or at least to patch it, pending the conclusion of that permanent peace which still appears so elusive. General Riley has kept it oiled and greased with a remarkable measure of success, considering its inherent fragility, but it may well be that more fundamental repairs will have to be undertaken in the near future, if it is not to be scapped altogether.

Cables in Brief

KENYA.—Seven Africans have been sentenced to death and three to be detained during the Governor's pleasure in the Supreme Court of Nakuru for the murder of British farmer A. G. Buck on his North Kinangop estate on January 24.

RUSSIA. — Marshal Semyon Budenny, C-in-C Soviet forces on the Southwestern front during the war, has been awarded the Order of Lenin on his 70th birthday "in recognition of his outstanding military services." Marshal Budenny has been awarded the Order of Lenin three times before, in 1938, 1943 and 1948.

HONG KONG.—Three hundred Chinese lost their homes on Friday in a fire which swept through 40 squatters' huts in a village near Kowloon. About 18,000 Chinese have lost their flimsy huts in squalid overcrowded squatter areas of Hong Kong colony in four big fires this year.

DRUGS.—U.S. Federal authorities have disclosed the arrest of four men they described as members of a huge narcotics ring which sold $150,000 worth of pure heroin in the past six months. Officials identified them as Jean Lagre, 68, an alien known as the "Silver fox," Hugo Rossi, 51, Enrique Sauset, known as "Henry the Butcher," and Andrew Alberti, 32, all of New York.

BELGIUM. — Fifteen foreign countries headed by West Germany are represented at an international fair for mines, metallurgy, mechanics and industrial electricity which opened in Liege, yesterday.

AXIST.—A coroner's jury in Quebec has found George Hebert criminally responsible for the axe-killing of his four children. Hebert was held for arraignment on a charge of murder, and his wife, Gemma, on one of criminal negligence.

ANZAC. — The newly-appointed Greek Minister to Australia, Dimitri Lambros, gave an informal dinner on Friday night to celebrate Anzac day at which the friends and foes who fought 38 years ago on the Gallipoli Peninsula met as allies.

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Rokach: Border Unrest Encouraged Abroad

RAMAT GAN, Saturday.—The recent border incidents had been encouraged by outside powers, but there was no need for the population to worry, Interior Minister Israel Rokach declared here on Thursday night at a public meeting called by the General Zionists.

Mr. Rokach took issue with those party members who had expressed dissatisfaction with the results of the coalition. A spirit of pioneering and a larger influx of investment capital was needed to help make the country independent of gift funds from abroad. He also said that one of the coalition's great achievements would be the representation to the Knesset on May 5 of the new Unified Education Bill.

AS OF JULY 1, bakeries using fuel for stoves must possess a licence, according to Regulations issued in the Gazette of April 9, by Dr. H. Neuman, the Competent Authority.

Naphtali: Agriculture Merits Special Attention

TEL AVIV, Saturday (ITIM). — Without denying the importance of industry to the national economy, the Government should pay special attention to agriculture, not only for economic reasons but also from the viewpoint of security, settling border areas and dispersing the population, Agriculture Minister P. Naphtali said here yesterday at the opening of the "Cooperative Economics Club."

The way to economic independence, he said, lay in developing both industry and agriculture. It was clear that Israel could not become a purely agricultural country with a low peasant standard of living, but he thought that agriculture should "head the list" of Government aid. Investors, he noted, preferred the industrial sector and investments in agriculture seemed to be "swimming against the tide."

NEW TEL AVIV-HAIFA SERVICE IN 3 WEEKS

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The regular passenger train service between Tel Aviv and Haifa along the new coastal track would commence on May 14, Mr. H. Razili, Director General of the Ministry of Communications, said at a luncheon given by the Progressive Party in his honour here yesterday. He is a member of the Party.

Referring to the major task of his Ministry — the improvement of transport services — he said the barrier of indifference to the subject was an important one to break down. He recalled that the Ministry of Finance had recently raised objections to the increase in fares showing no interest in the fact that they were conditional upon better services to the public.

The new Haifa-Tel Aviv railway line, will cut travelling time to about 30 minutes. There will be about six trains daily. The new line was completed some time ago and is at present being used by goods trains.

"TRUD." — The death of Boris Beniaminovich Kohn, publisher of "Trud," organ of the Soviet Union's trade unions, was announced yesterday.

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We hereby offer our apologies to Mr. Pessachovitz Engineer, for having insulted him by printing the article in which he was mentioned and which appeared in the "Business Digest"—on January 15, 1953.

We were wrong in publishing this article because unfortunately we did not check the contents of the report before printing it.

We hereby ask Mr. Pessachovitz's forgiveness and we publish this apology willingly.

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SERVICE at the Reali School, Ahuza, at 9 a.m.
RECEPTION at 4 Rehov Ya'aroth, Ahuza from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
This is the only intimation.

With deepest grief we hereby announce our bereavement in the loss of our beloved husband, father, and brother-in-law:

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deceased in Jerusalem after a prolonged illness.

The hearse will leave Ziv Hospital today, April 26, at 12 noon.
The funeral will start from Beit Sereni, Givat Brenner, at 4 p.m.

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THE resignation of General Riley will occasion genuine regret in this country. From the end of open hostilities between Israel and the Arab States who had invaded her territory, through the armistice negotiations and the subsequent uneasy Rhodes agreements, General Riley has performed his delicate task courageously and with the required tact. As chief of the U.N. organization set up to supervise the truce and to ensure, as far as it was able, the observance of the terms of armistice between this country and its neighbours, he earned a deep respect, which added to the authority he exercised as the chief representative of U.N., in the areas subject to the terms and conditions of the several armistice agreements.

GENERAL RILEY

Quite naturally in a situation half way between war and peace, and one that was not intended to continue indefinitely, General Riley's organisation has not always given satisfaction to all the contending parties. There have been occasions when the representatives of Israel have felt justly entitled to question the findings of U.N. officers. But no responsible person in Israel will question the usefulness of the U.N. truce supervisory body or belittle the part it has played in preventing a succession of incidents from developing into a resumption of open warfare.

It may well be that this usefulness, and the preventive part played by the U.N. organs in this area, were due mainly to the wisdom of General Riley; and it may also be that his successor will carry an equally impressive personality and be not less wise and tactful. But the question must then arise whether, in view of the increasing number and severity of frontier incidents, and the growing importance of Middle East regional stability within a wider international context, an organisation so dependent upon the authority and influence of the man at its head — and therefore lacking in an inherent authority equivalent to its grave responsibilities — can be regarded as adequate. That this question should have to be asked is a tribute to General Riley; its implied criticism concerns only the form of the machinery he will leave behind him.

When the armistice agreements were signed at Rhodes, only minor infractions, such as might happen during the immediate aftermath of a bitter war, were anticipated; and it was believed that within a reasonable time the signatories to the Rhodes agreements would move towards peace negotiations and a peace treaty as the logical next step. Israel was ready for this move and over and over again has expressed her desire to enter into peace negotiations. The Arab States rejected every proposal of the kind and even drove the Palestine Conciliation Commission, which was created as a means of bringing peace about, to withdraw from its main purpose and to establish itself in New York as a mere agency for the handling of subsidiary problems arising not from the prospects of peace but from the permanence of a state of hostility. The organization established to supervise the truce and the performance of the terms of armistice was intended to work towards the same purpose and within the same general framework as the P.C.C. If it has failed, the reason is exactly the same as in the case of the P.C.C. — the determination of the Arab States to preserve a permanent state of hostility. It is this simple yet perilous fact that leads to the belief that the present U.N. organization is no match for the needs of this area.

The withdrawal of General Riley's direct guidance from the U.N. Truce Supervisory Organization has raised this question acutely. But that is not the only reason why the General's departure will be regretted. He has many friends in Israel, who will miss his friendliness and perception. They, and all who have had the opportunity to recognize his service in the cause of orderly relations between Israel and the Arab States, will wish him good fortune and, wherever his responsibilities may lie in the future, a less obstinate, less thankless task than has been his for the past four years and more, though no task could be at the same time more challenging and rewarding.

PROGRESSIVES MEET

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The executive of the Progressive Party and the Party's Economic Committee met on Thursday to discuss their economic platform, including the freezing of currency controls and the freezing of wages. The discussion are to continue.

FIRST REPORT FROM A KOREAN P.o.W.

"THE NIGHTMARE WAS OVER"

By PHILIP DEANE

This is the first story from Philip Deane, "Observer" correspondent who was wounded and captured on the American front in Korea in July 1950 and who, repatriated with six other internees, arrived in Britain a few days ago after travelling by train across Siberia and by plane from Moscow via Berlin.

LONDON. —

"March 30," said one of the internees. "Three months of this year nearly gone and not a scrap of news, not a hopeful sign. This has become like Indo-China now." He looked around apologetically —reflections on the length of the internment were taboo.

Ten minutes later, our camp commandant, Sub - Lieutenant Han Sen Cho, walked into our room. The four bodies on the filthy straw mat did not stir. From a piece of paper in his hand he read, haltingly: "Holt, Blake, Owen, Deane!"

Satisfied, after looking at us, that his version of our names had registered, he ordered: "Pack, take everything."

"Where are we going? Are we walking?"

No answer. Our camp commandant was never lavish with his information.

Another Dead March

Why were we going? Could it be that the hints of the guards about a forthcoming American offensive to the Yalu River had come true? Were we going to fleet again away from freedom, over the cold, wild mountains? Please, let it not be another death march! And if it were? In our condition we could not carry much. We would have to leave some things behind. But you cannot bring yourself to leave those precious treasures — the old pair of socks found in the field, and so carefully patched, the quilt you made of stinking rags which saw you through the winter, the cigarette box you so carefully collected. We took everything. The guards handed us our grain for the journey. It was enough for many days and an unpleasant addition to what we were already carrying.

"Honourableness"

Slushing through the ankle-deep, tenacious mud, panting under our bundles, we followed Lieutenant Han Sen Cho to Naupo, the nearby town.

There, a major rushed to relieve us of our loads. Overcoming our surprise, we voiced our thanks.

"Your honourable selves should think nothing of it," said the major, shepherding us to a jeep.

"And our bundles?"

"Your honourable bundles will follow you in another conveyance."

Apprehensive about the fate of our bundles, and dazed by our newly-found honourability, we were driven to Penyang, where, amidst unbelievable desolation, we were housed adequately, provided with beds and sheets, had our bath water fetched by a full colonel, our meals served by a brigadier oddly reminiscent of Edward G. Robinson in his "benevolent gangster" roles, shown films daily, haunted by a doctor with tonic injections, measured for suits, over-fed.

"Do you want anything else?"

We had forgotten what it was people want. And dazed, enervated by this excessive kindness, we did not dare allow ourselves the only logical conclusion.

Re-Learning Independence

On April 8 we were told of our release, and we could not even then feel excited. Things had gone wrong so many times before. Yet that night we were driven to the border. The next day the Chinese took over — impressive motorcades to convey us, a private coach with observation saloon, Lucullian menues, obsequious waiters. On April 13 the Russians received us at the Manchurian-Soviet border. There, the last signs of supervision disappeared, and we were given our own tickets and money to spend. Actually we now could make our own decisions, and again, we found we had forgotten how.

Literally force-fed by the restaurant car attendants, patted, kissed and cheered by aggressively friendly, soulful Slavs, to the accompaniment of "oom-pa-pa" music pouring from the train loudspeakers, we could not adapt ourselves to this *opera bouffe* tipsy train, and we were wondering whether it would take us all the way to freedom or whether this was just one of those longing dreams which haunt the prisoner's night.

Flight to Freedom

And then, on the Moscow station platform, unmistakably British figures were there, to take us into a car — a dear, sedate Rolls with a Union Jack. And the next day a lovely silver plane, with those familiar and now so beautiful concentric circles — red, white and blue — the well-known uniforms, the wings, and friends, real English friends, rushing to greet you, to take you into this bird that was free. Then, at last, we believed it. The nightmare was over, and we were free, free, free. I am afraid we cried then.

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TOURIST PROMOTERS MUST THINK AGAIN

A New Type of Visitor

STUDYING the efforts of our tourist propagandists in the course of the last five years, it becomes more and more clear that the basic division of foreigners who do not come here on business, falls into the 'sentimental' and 'bona fide' class and that this has been completely disregarded. The sentimental tourist class can again be subdivided into visiting Zionists, American uncles and Christian pilgrims. Most of the American uncles have already visited their families here, if they could afford to do so; visiting Zionists are almost invariably members of organisations which conduct their own propaganda. Christian pilgrims are basically prepared to come here if they are assured of a minimum of comfort at a reasonable price. If conditions are known to be fairly good, Christian organizations the world over will take care of pilgrims' travel. One thing is clear: Israel advertising will not attract a pilgrim who is not influenced by the propaganda of his own religious community.

Legitimate Tourist

Such a commonsense analysis should force our tourist experts to concentrate on the "bona-fide" tourist. The "bona fide" tourist, most often of the upper middle class, wishes to spend his leave in an interesting country without having to pay exorbitant prices. He is travelling for reasons unconnected with family, politics, religion. Such visitors, who form the backbone of other countries' tourist trade, are almost unknown in Israel.

The reasons for our failure to interest this class of tourists are two: first of all, Israel, even with the new rate of exchange for tourists' dollars, is too expensive. A fortnight of comfortable travelling in Spain, Algiers, Italy or Greece, including all travelling expenses, costs the Swiss or English holiday-maker (I quote from the travel-supplement of the New Year's issue of "Picture Post") rather less than 50 guineas. According to P. E. L. two weeks in Israel without fares cost $150, at IL.-1.800 to the dollar rate, almost exactly the equivalent of 50 guineas. This also holds for Americans: no "bona fide" tourist will come from the States for the sole purpose of visiting Israel. Under competitive conditions, on the other hand, many might combine a visit to the Holy Land with their European "Grand Tour."

The situation is not, however, quite as black as might be supposed and can be remedied, even if we cannot "sell" Israel more cheap. In the olden, golden days before 1914, tourists came to Palestine from Egypt and went on to Damascus before returning to Europe. There is now no such combination of visits to more than one interesting country in one journey and with the same basic travel expenses; it is a logical conclusion that we shall have to create a new one. More or less on our door-step there are two beautiful islands, quite neglected by the tourist organisations of their own countries — Cyprus and Rhodes.

Cyprus and Rhodes

Britain's attitude to Cyprus as far as tourism is concerned is more or less negative. Whereas cheap trips to the British West Indies are prominently featured in English magazines, no-one takes very much interest in Cyprus which is both nearer and cheaper. Does one detect a feeling of resentment caused by the Enosis propaganda not unlike that which we experienced here during the last months of the Mandate?

Rhodes, on the other hand, which was for many years boosted by an exemplary Italian tourist organization, has not yet been integrated into Greek tourism. The economic situation of the mainland is so precarious that all the foreign currency is needed there.

Mediterranean Tour

By cooperating with the local tourist organizations of Cyprus and Rhodes, however, it should be possible for us to organize a new 'Aegean Tour' to replace the traditional Middle East trip which is now impracticable. To visit Israel, Cyprus and Rhodes at the same basic price as travelling through European countries would be a very attractive proposition.

Even at the risk of offending our self-respect, our tourist promoters will have to take into account that Israel on her own is too small a country to attract the "bona fide" tourist. We shall have to cooperate with our equally small neighbours; and now that Egyptian tourism is on the decline, we have an excellent opportunity. Let us be frank: what should we say if someone proposed a trip to Central America under the condition that we visit only Honduras?

Th. F.M.

Beyond Scope of the M.A.C.?

By Sraya Shapira, POST Military Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — All is quiet on the eastern border — or should be, after the U.N. Chief of Staff told the Mixed Armistice Commission in Jerusalem on Wednesday that he wished the shooting to stop. The Jordanians accepted the request the moment it was made. Men with a sense of humour may smile faintly.

This is exactly what the Israelis have claimed for a long time — ever since 1948: That the Arab attitude is determined by their European advisers. Psychology is, for the time being, still the main weapon of strategy and politics in the Middle East.

There has never been a serious Arab breach of the peace without their being encouraged to believe that their act would go unpunished by the authorities. As firing guns is still a national sport in this part of the world, lack of restraint is considered a sign of laissez faire. Also there's no place like the Middle East where the Clausewitz maxim that "war is an extension of politics" still holds good.

It seems that Lt. General William E. Riley has learned that political considerations cannot be separated from military issues. War cannot be taken as a purely military action here, and any decision to stop the shooting is not a purely military action which a commander takes in the field. It was, probably, the mistake of such old-school soldiers as General Bennett de Ridder to consider the Palestine War as only a military engagement and the M.A.C. only a military vehicle.

It is to be assumed that lifetime soldiers of General de Ridder's type simply cannot admit that civilians, even armed and even when they cross a border are to be taken seriously by such a purely military institution as a Mixed Armistice Commission. A soldier with little flair for politics would refuse to admit that a marauder, though intent primarily on killing and robbing, is a political agent of equal, if not superior, standing to regular members of the armed forces.

The anomaly of the M.A.C.'s where military men have to deal with matters transcending their ordinary authority as soldiers, as well as their scope of interest has been pointed out many times. The Commissions are very helpful in settling minor cases of breaches of the truce, but when they are faced with matters involving high policy considerations, they get beyond their depth immediately, as happened in the past week.

The meeting of the Israel-Jordan M.A.C. on Wednesday was particularly amusing. The M.A.C. officially voted Israel responsible for the murder of two Israelis on Israel territory, because the chairman abstained and the Israel delegates refused to discuss or vote on such an absurd motion. (The Israelis had earlier produced evidence to prove that their men had been shot in Israel territory and had been dragged into Jordan in order to "stage" an Israeli violation of the armistice.)

It would be naive to think that the trouble on the Israel-Jordan demarcation line is over. The forces which encourage marauding and other actions of a more military aspect are still in a stage of ferment over the border. It would seem, in accordance with the conditions which have prevailed in this part of the world for the past 50 years, that those latent forces are not uniquely Arab.

Readers' Letters

DISPUTED FIGURES

To the Editor of the POST

Sir, — It has been pointed out that figures concerning the Christian minorities of Israel which I quoted in my article "Influence of Christian Minorities" in the issue of April 10, do not correspond with the official figures of the Ministry of Religious Affairs.

There has, in the past, been considerable controversy on this subject — numbers, particularly covering the Mandatory period, were at the best rough estimates only. I therefore chose to quote the estimates of Mr. I. Sipper, a leading authority on Christian communities, who has spent many years of research on this subject. His figures were given at a lecture to the Israel Oriental Society, and may be found in that society's journal, *Hamizrah Hehadash*.

Yours etc.,
DAVID BEN RADAK
Jerusalem, April 17.

PEN-FRIENDS

Sir, — I am nearly 10 years old and like ball games. I am learning spelling, reading arithmetic, social study, science, art, music and gymnastics at school. I love animals.

RUTH BLEIER
24, Greenway, New Ryde Park, New York, U.S.

MUSICAL DIARY

THE Kol Yisrael orchestra's Tuesday night concert, conducted by George Singer, presented Beethoven, Brahms and Yohanan Bohm. After the "Ruins of Athens" overture, S. Mishori was soloist in Brahms' Violin Concerto. Perhaps it was not a happy idea to perform that Concerto with an orchestra so restricted in volume, and the young soloist's interpretation was lacking in personality.

The world premiere of Yohanan Bohm's First Symphony was an introduction to a gifted composer. His symphonic first-born is post-romantic, with an affinity to the tradition of Bruckner and Mahler. Characteristic of the romantic mood is the English horn in the opening allegro, an echo from Bruckner's "Fourth", while the funeral march recalls Mahler. But this should not be considered a fault: every young composer needs a model. Bohm's harmonies are beautiful and his orchestration shows a sure instinct and good taste; it is never heavy but translucent in structure. The development of this movement is most compact. The allegro molto has a Midsummer Night's Dream mood. In the Andante molto, the romantic horn again predominates. There is melodic fluency and rhythmical vivacity throughout the symphony. The closing allegro molto has a contemporary trend, with its ironical pattern of Valse, Rumba and Blues.

FRANGO

Joint Efforts

The Swiss violinist Simon Bakman, a member of the Geneva Orchestra de la Suisse Romande, was introduced by Frank Pelleg at the Tel Aviv Museum on Wednesday night. Pelleg accompanied the artist in a programme more memorable for its originality than for any intrinsic merits. "Introduction and Allegro," a piece of convincing pathos by Francesco Geminiani, a pupil of Corelli and Dvorak's "Ballad" made the best listening. A sonata written jointly by Brahms, Schumann, and the latter's pupil, Albert Hermann Dietrich was a rarity though of lesser importance. Contemporary composers were represented by Roger Vuataz' Preludium and Scherzo, Martinu's Intermezzo and Arabesque, and Miklos Rozsa's "Hungarian Suite". The main attraction of the evening was Mr. Bakman who turned out to be an artist of much spiritual and tonal intensity.

MO.

Haifa Orchestra

The Gala Concert of the Haifa Orchestra under the patronage of the Mayor, Mr. Aba Khoushy, introduced U.S. guest Conductor Jaques Singer. He conducted Marc Lavry's well written "Israeli Country Dances" with admirable understanding of its characteristically Israel musical style. Haydn's Symphony in G-Major No. 88 received clear treatment, the orchestra was well controlled by the experienced leading of the conductor, though the filigree of the Menuetto was too heavy and should have been played with more grace and poise. Still better was the premiere of Dubensky's Fugue for 18 violins; the themes and their developments form a striking beauty of unisonous sounds. Beethoven's "Egmont" Overture was given a vivid performance. Sibelius' "Valse triste" and Grieg's "Heart Wounds," which is very sentimental, met with the audience's approval.

G.W.—B.

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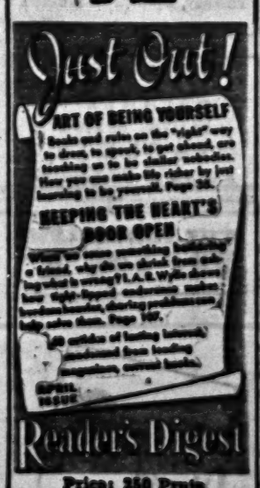

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